

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 618

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Omicron Gamma Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, on the occasion of the 80th Southern Regional Conference and Youth Retreat; and

WHEREAS, The Omicron Gamma Zeta Chapter is hosting the Southern Regional Conference and Youth Retreat June 11 through 13 in Houston; the Southern Region is comprised of chapters from Texas and Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, was founded January 16, 1920, on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C., by five illustrious ladies; and

WHEREAS, The sorority is a nonprofit organization that is dedicated to public service; its national and local programs include those that foster endowment of its National Education Foundation, community outreach services, and support of multiple organizations, such as the March of Dimes; and

WHEREAS, The chapters and auxiliary groups devote countless volunteer hours to serving the community; they educate the public, assist youths, provide scholarships, support charities, promote legislation for social and civic change, and promote voter registration; the sorority's Zetas Helping Other People Excel program helps to meet the critical social needs of men, women, and children; and

WHEREAS, The Omicron Gamma Zeta Chapter works hard to uphold the ideals and fulfill the mission of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, and the chapter is proud to host the 80th Southern Regional Conference and Youth Retreat; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority on its many contributions to our state and country and extend best wishes to the Omicron Gamma Zeta Chapter on the occasion of the 80th Southern Regional Conference and Youth Retreat; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this event.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 14, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate